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Re: Applicant(s): John W. Jacobs and Elizabeth A. Dauch
Assignee: NEC Electronics America, Inc.
Title: TUNGSTEN PLUG CORROSION PREVENTION METHOD USING
IONIZED AIR
Application No.: 10/695,528
Filing Date: October 28, 2003
Examiner: Luan C. Thai
Group Art Unit: 2891
Attorney Docket No.: NEC0254US

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page, in duplicate)
- (3) Response To Restriction Requirement (2 pages)

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Total Claims	26	Minus	27	=	0	x	\$50.00	\$	0.00
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	=	0	x	\$200.00	\$	0.00
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- ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed document(s) after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, an extension of time is hereby requested.
- ☐ Please charge our Deposit Account No. 502306 in the amount of \$ 0.00
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Non-final Office Action dated May 5, 2005, having a shortened statutory period set to expire June 5, 2005.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Group I. Claim 27, drawn to semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 698, 774.

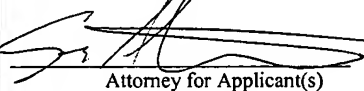
Group II. Claims 1-26, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 629.

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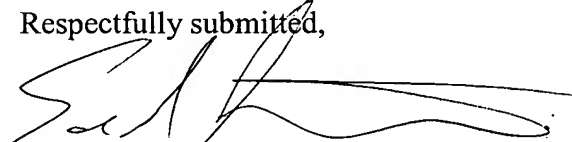
In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, the applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-26, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 629.

Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice to the subject matter disclosed therein.

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